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Welcome one and all to the third year of "AR". I'd like to thank all who have supported this publication throughout the first two years and I hope myself and the staff of "AR" will continue to bring you enjoyment in reading this sheet. Lots of business to talk about so let's get to it. As you may or may not notice, there is a date on the top right corner of this page. I have jumped the gun on going bi-weekly. Effective now, "AR" is bi-weekly. The date will be the Monday publishing date. Besides the above main report, we have Evan Ginzburg and Mike Terry here with their respective columns as well as a great Ric Flair voice impersonator in Scott Hudson with his review of the Georgia grappling scene. Instead of run down the results of the Clash which will appear in many other sheets, I have a short column called "Clash Chatter" which gives my views on the card. Before I forget, I'd like to thank everyone for responding to the survey. I was amazed at the response. One thing it proved, everyone has their different likes and dislikes. Quite a varied response. Two things that you wanted more of. 1) More editorials. I will work on that now that I'm bi-weekly, and 2) more independant results. On that one I have to depend on you as if I don't get them, I can't print them.

Next issue will be cover dated September 24. In that issue you'll find a live report on a WWF card from Lakeland on 9/14, Marianne Ryan will be along with tidbits from her WWF tour of the tapings and Summer Slam, Scott Hudson will of course grace us with his presence as well. And on a sad note, we will see the final column from Jersey Joe Mullins in Arena Report. His final column will explain why. But just so there is no misunderstanding, it is a amicable breakoff. Myself and Jersey's agent Jeff remain close friends. We'll bid adieu to Jersey next issue. I have aldready been in touch with someone who ironically offered their services to "AR" two weeks before I got Jersey's resignation letter. As soon as it's final, I'll let you know. As I mentioned earlier, "AR" is now bi-weekly with one exception, I will have a double issue in December. Yeah, sort of a year end special. I will have a live report on the WWF Superstars tapings from Tampa on 12/11, a Starcade review (which looks like it will not be in St. Pete after all. More in "Ramblings".), all my columnists will have their columns as well as three guest writers who will give us their Xmas lists for wrestlers and nutty year end awards. And in a major coup, I have inked Wrestling Observer's Dave Meltzer to give us his top 10 singles and tag teams for 1990. I'll also include my year end awards as well.

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Opening Match

Shane Douglas beat Black Bart in 14:15. Hate to say it but Shane is now on the Hi-C as well. They did the bit where Shane points up and Bart gets nailed when he does. Bart has gone from a bad worker to a comedy figure... Still a bad worker. Bart went to throw Shane into the ropes but Douglas

held on and slid under Bart and cradled him for the win. $\frac{1}{2}$ *

2nd Match

Barbarian beat Jimmy Snuka in 15:36 when he met the Psycho with a boot to the face in the corner and then used the ropes for leverage. Barbie threw a great powerslam. They did a nice false finish where Jimmy hit Barbie with a cross body and the horned man reversed it but Snuka kicked out at two. *

-Slick then came down to do some mic work as he said "Bad News was No News" referring to the departed Bad News Brown (see "Ramblings"). He said his man Akeem would end Jim Duggan's career tonight. Sounded good to me.

3rd Match

"Mr. Perfect" Curt Hennig pinned Jake Roberts in 11:16 in one of the most disappointing matches I've ever seen. I couldn't put my finger on it. When a Bushwhacker match is better than this, there are problems. Curt leaped over Jake for a sunset flip near the ropes and grabbed them for leverage. *

Tag Team Match

Orient Express downed The Bushwhackers in 11:36. Pat Tanaka had a look of disdain as the Whackers did their strut. Like "What am I doing in here with these morons?" Probably because you make good money Pat. He did some good moves. More comedy than anything else but entertaining. Luke hit Fuji on the apron and the cane came in. Sato hit Butch and Tanaka scored the pin. $\frac{1}{2}$ *

5th Match

Koko Ware bulldogged The Genius at 6:12. Since Lanny's dad Angelo Poffo was here, I figured Lanny would put out. Wrong! Frankie was a no show. After the bout, Koko pulled Poffo's wig off and put it on and danced like Lanny, you know, a sissy. Funny stuff. Why does he wear it anyway, his hair has grown back. $\frac{1}{2}$ * Good flurry at the end.

6th Match

Hacksaw Duggan pinned Akeem in 7:47 when the fake African slammed into Slick and Hack rolled him up. I remembered as they were leaving the ring that this was a big feud in the UWF, One Man Gang vs. Hacksaw Duggan. Good brawls. How time makes one forget. -*

WWF Championship-No DQ

Ultimate Warrior retained the WWF title beating Rick Rude in 14:14 with a flying tackle and big splash. Warrior was going berserk throwing chairs in the ring and beating the daylights out of Rude outside the ring. Decent action until the 8:00 mark where they rested in a headlock. Rude worked half the match with his trunks down. Garbage. ** $\frac{1}{4}$

Notes

The crowd was 3,600 which is abysmal. The dedication match last month drew more. They return on 10/13 with the Demo-Roadies & Warrior sixman and Hennig-Kerry.....Surprised Bobby Heenan wasn't here as three members of his stable was present. Maybe he was in Des Moines with Haku helping him with Dustin Rhodes. Just kidding.....Before the card started I went to get Jerry Briscoe's autograph to add to Chris Reilly's collection. I had on my UWF Japan T-shirt and my "AR" cap so I didn't know if I was safe but he didn't say a word. Brisco promotes the cards in Florida for Vince.....I saw Angelo Poffo at this point. Can you imagine what Angelo thinks about his son wearing a wig. Ooooh yeahhh! At least he has one winner in the family.

Ramblings

To my chagrin, Starcade has been moved from St. Petersburg to St. Louis. Lost TV in the St. Pete area was the so-called reason but this weekend, the shows were still on. Speaking of St. Louis, they drew 2,200 on Sat. night. For Sting-Flair no less. Yeah, Starcade will do wonders there.....Scott Steiner will be running the gauntlet at the TV tapings 9/10 for airing on the weekend of 9/21. He'll wrestle Flair on WCW and Arn on Main Event, not sure who on Power Hour.....Doom will meet Barry & Arn at Halloween Havoc. Talk is Doom will be turned face by then. What happens to Teddy Long?.....Mark Callas & Randy Culley (called Moondog Rex) subbed for Sid and Barry all week last week. Sid still claiming he's hurt and Barry out with a broken foot..... Paul Diamond was allegedly fired from Titan for being caught using drugs..... What makes me think that if it was Hacksaw Duggan, he wouldn't have.... Talk that Kerry has been assigned a full time "babysitter". I hope they let that person carry the I-C belt just in case.....Virginia Wrestling Association put on a wrestling tourney in coordination with a fan convention on 8/24 and 8/25. Sam Houston pinned Ivan Koloff in the finals to win the title with a roll up from behind in 14:15. Just so happens that Sam is the booker. Jack Victory was in the tourney as well. Not much from the WWF tv tapings from Hershey and Wheeling on 8/28 and 8/29. Curtis Thompson was in fresh from Portland. He did a job for Jim Powers.....Tony Atlas made his debut as Sama Simba. Comes to the ring with a peacock headress and leopard tights. What makes me think they'll feud him with Akeem.....Barbie DCOR with Hack Duggan.....Marty Jannetty wrestled single bouts with Michaels in his corner.... After a Nicolai Volkoff bout with Zhukov, Sgt. Slaughter and his new manager Sheik Adnon El-Kaissie came down and used his riding crop to tatoo our new comrade.....Legion of Doom & Warrior beat Demolition as Warrior pinned Smash... Hogan and Tugboat beat Quake & Bravo on both shows.....In the biggest angle which took place at the Challenge tapings, after a Boss Man squash, he went to get Bobby Heenan who was doing color with McMahon. He brought him to ringside and cuffed him to the guardrail where he stayed fro three bouts. Vince even came down to do an interview with him while he was locked up. Sounds hilarious. Finally, a police officer unlocked the cuffs..... Slaughter beat Ron Garvin in a match for Prime Time.....Curt Hennig beat Texas Tornado in a non-title match using ropes for leverage.....Thanks to John Lanigan for his reports.....Raymond Rougeau was at the tapings with his gear but he didn't work.....Shawn Michaels will be going under the knife and may miss 2-3 months.. Word is that Ross Hart will be getting a tryout soon.....Bad News Brown has quit Titan and will only work Japan.....Upcoming Titan TV tapings through January: 10/9 Springfield, IL 10/10 Cape Girardeau, MO...10/29 Dayton, OH 10/30 Ft Wayne, IN...11/19 Utica 11/20 Niagra Falls...12/11 Tampa 12/12 West Palm Beach...1/2 Huntsville, AL 1/3 Birmingham.....From a recent issue of People Magazine: "When a couple of beefy weight lifters named Bob Truax and Dan Stock and a pair of muscle bound wrestlers known as the Road Warriors couldn't find pants that fit their built up bodies, the St. Paul big guys din't settle for off the rack blue jeans. They created their own comfortable , pajama like pull-ons, had them manufactured with zebra stripes and other wild patterns, and called them "Zubaz", street lingo for "in your face". Two years later, they've won over plenty of pro sports players and rockers as diversified as Billy Joel and Tone Loc. Next year they expect to sell \$100 million to men, women, and tots." If that's so, why the heck are they wrestling. Story sounds fishy to me.....An ad recently ran in the Orlando Sentinel for "The Continental Lover's" School of Wrestling. His slogan? "If you want to be the best, learn from the best." Please!.....Did you catch Doom on the Black Entertainment Network? Teddy Long stayed in character and came off like a goof but Reed and Simmons were very good. The reporter at on point asked Simmons when they were going to go to the major league. Ooops! Ron said quite calmly that they were happy being on top where they were..... Hulk Hogan sent a taped message to the Jerry Lewis telethon. So did Rocky King. Actually, with Rocky the new manager of the Birds, I can't tell anymore Rocky King jokes. That's the best one there is.

A PIECE OF MY MIND--EVAN GINZBURG

Hey, kids...it's time for another piece of my mind! Once again I'm prepared to throw caution to the wind and try something new in my never-ending attempt to entertain Arena Report's legion of readers and baseball cap wearers...

A few weeks back, I was coming out of a rockin' concert at Central Park (Rhythm & Blues diva Ruth Brown with bluesman Drink Small for those music aficionados who might care), and I spotted a guy who immediately looked familiar to me. He had beady eyes, a squarish head and for some reason reminded me of Anthony Perkins in his Norman Bates role. It took a second to click, but then I realized he was a New York based fan who sat first row ringside for years. I didn't know his name, but being the friendly soul that I am, I figured I'd say hello anyway.

The following is the bizarro conversation that ensued. Please note that the bracketed material are some of my thoughts at the time (Hell, if it works for Woody Allen...). By the way, SH stands for "Square Head" as I never did catch his name.

EG: How're you doing? You're a wrestling fan, right?

SH: Yeah...

EG: Been to any shows lately?

SH: Yeah, NWA in Philly.

EG: How was it?

SH: O.K.

EG: Who won the Battle Royale?

SH: El Gigante.

EG: How was it?

SH: O.K.

EG: Anything else on the show?

SH: Luger against Sid Vicious.

EG: Was it good?

SH: It was...uh...O.K.

EG: (Yeah, jerko, I bet JYD was "O.K." And Norman was "O.K." And...)

You going to the Nassau Coliseum show?

SH: I don't go to the WWF.

EG: (Maybe he's not as stupid as he looks) No, huh?

SH: But I do have tickets to Wrestlemania VII!

EG: (Makes a helluva lot of sense to me) How much?

SH: \$150.

EG: (This dude's really pathetic) You kidding?

SH: No, figured I'd make a vacation out of it.

EG: (Where else would this loser go?) You read the sheets?

SH: Don't need 'em...I have inside sources in the business...

EG: (Yeah, right...and he dates Madonna too) Really?

SH: Did you hear about Brutus Beefcake?

EG: (Great contact this guy has--every 8 year old in America knows about his injury) Yeah...

SH: Terrible, huh?

EG: (Sure, I lay awake sleepless over it; anyway, better shake this guy before I go brain dead) Guess so...listen, gotta go...

SH: See you...

EG: (If I **never** see you again it'll be too soon) Bye!

Quite a meeting of minds, huh "AR" readers? For more details on my decrepit existence pick up Wrestling-Then & Now (\$1.25 sample/\$6 for 6 issues/\$12 yearly) from me at PO Box 471 Oakland Gardens Station, Flushing, N.Y. 11364...

Catch you all next time with another piece of writing destined for Pulitzer Prize consideration...

SCOTT HUDSON'S.....

GEORGIA WRESTLING JOURNAL

000000000, YEEEEAAAAHHHH!!! The macho kayfaber Scott Hudson is back with yet another issue of the Georgia Wrestling Journal, YEAH!!!!

GEORGIA MOUNTAINS CENTER (09-03-90) N.W.A. TV TAPINGS FOR AIR THE WEEKEND OF SEPTEMBER 17, 1990: Power Hour: Pillman over Horner in the 1st "Running The Gauntlet" match..World Championship Wrestling: Rick & Scott Steiner over Stone & Soloman..Doom over Riggins & Rose..Taylor over Death Row.. Pillman over Landell using a triple momentum reverse high cross body in the 2nd "Running The Gauntlet" match..Allen Iron Eagle & Wendell Cooley over State Patrol..Horner over Watson..Spivey over Ford..Worldwide Wrestling: JFD over Knopf..Brad Armstrong over Vines..Bambi over Leather..Doom over Perez & Johnson..Luger over Williams..Spivey over Diamond..Terry Taylor over Buddy Landell using a blocked suplex into a small package..NWA Pro Wrestling: Fabulous Freebirds over Horowitz & Scott Armstrong..Taylor over Cazana..Riggins & Bambi over Ford & Leather in a mixed tag team match.. Spivey over Perez..Rick & Scott Steiner and the Midnight Express in a double DQ..NWA Main Event: Perez over Thor..Midnight Express over Fargo & Allen..Spivey over Pillman in the 3rd and final "Running The Gauntlet" match..

NEWS AND NOTES: Rocky King, wearing enough eye make-up to make Divine blush, debuted as the heel manager of the Freebirds. Trust me, you will not believe this..The two matches involving the women were surprisingly good with the mixed tag match being the second best match on the card behind the Midnight Express vs. Steiners match which was awesome.Danny Spivey debuted and looked the same but moved in slow motion and appeared to favoring a possible knee injury. He is using the "Powerbomb" finisher. (Are you listening, Sid?)..Why put Lou Perez over in a squash when he has done jobs in two prior shows?..The Steiners finally have physically possession of the U. S. Tag straps..The TV taping locations will expand to include Rainesville, Alabama, and Anderson, South Carolina, soon as crowds in North Georgia have been putrid as of late..Allen Iron Eagle looks good until he starts to wrestle, then he looks more like Ironsides than Iron Eagle..Not many people know that on the Worldwide show that aired on 09-01, Mean Mark fell face first into the ring while rope walking in the Zan Panzer squash. A nifty bit of editing made everything look normal but the footage of Mark climbing to the top and landing with a leg drop actually occurred 2 minutes apart..The "Running The Gauntlet" matches with Pillman were surprisingly so-so..Just so you'll know, the "Freebirds Over America" tour kicks off on 09-09..(ATT:500)..

OTHER NEWS AND NOTES: Someone named Dale Mullins is running the Universal Wrestling Alliance (UWA) out of my old home town of Tifton, GA. He is using wrestlers named Eddie & Mitch Colt, Gentleman Chris Sullivan, Sheik Ali Pasha, Playboy Jimmie Rogers, and The Redneck. They hold cards every Monday night at the National Guard Armory in Tifton..Getting the push in Joe Pedicino's Georgia All-Star Wrestling are Steve Lawler, Jack Victory, Joel Deaton, Abdullah The Butcher, Chris Walker, Jon Michaels, Fabian (who has loads of potential), Randy Rose, The Hillbillies, Dino Minelli, Nick Busick, Ravishing Russ (no kidding), and Billy Black (my candidate for Rookie of the Year)..

NWA returns to the Omni on 09-23 with Sting vs. Black Scorpion on top..WWF returns there on 10-07 with Roadies & Warrior vs. 3 Demolitions on top..In closing, Tessa was my new favorite valet and far and away the prettiest woman in the business. It's a damn shame she is out the game now before I had a chance to meet her. She was fantastic!..My fiance' has learned to sell the clothesline like a Mulkey

THE LAST WORD...

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IT'S MY 2-CENTS

by Mike Terry

I'm in a better mood this month, even though my life has little meaning now that the AWA Team Challenge Series is over.....Summer Slam wasn't exactly a powerslam, was it? Seemed like most of the guys were working in slow motion. The director, too. It's not often the WWF misses important camera shots. The highlight for me was Roddy Piper. For my money, he's always been most effective as a heel, and little glimmers of that persona have started shining through. I could just feel Vince flinching every time Roddy mentioned "The Big Bosomed Man.".....The Gene Okerlund Overacting Award goes to Dusty Rhodes. He reminded me of Scarlett O'Hara's maid Prissy in "Gone With the Wind.".....and was I the only one with a little smirk on my mug when Dusty went down for the count?.....The Iron Jaw Award goes to Jimmy Hart. Two python punches from the mighty Hulkster still couldn't take him out of the game. Doesn't speak much for the power of the pythons. Jimmy should have been stretched out on that first punch. Hey! I just realized! This must be the first major WWF show on which Jimmy hasn't lost his pants! It was Rick Rude's turn this time. I always wondered what juiced buns looked like.

I hadn't realized how much weight Bossman has dropped until I saw some pictures from a few months back in the new WWF magazine.....Why hasn't Chris Adams been picked up by a major promotion? Why do I think I know the answer to my own question?

Aren't we all sick to death of those commercials which turn up so many times in so many wrestling shows? Just about every break it's Mario! Mario!, Jeffrey Kaiser, and Alka Seltzer's meatloaf from hell. The only thing we've seen more often is the Rock and Roll Express vs. the Midnight Express. Pass me a bromo.

I caught a localized Detroit interview from the WWF last weekend....I hope the NWA is having success with theirs, but somebody tell the guys to play it straight. Too much clowning.

Bonehead graphic of the month: the USWA for Blackjack Mulligan's "Handicapped Match." I expected his opponents to roll to ringside in wheelchairs.....

Racial slur of the month comes from the repulsive Hacksaw Jim Duggan. When describing his upcoming 6-man with the Rockers against the Orient Express & Mr. Fuji he said: "There'll be a little Nip in the air..."

If Buddy Rose & Buddy Landell devise a new diet regimen, they could call it "The Buddy System." I know--you saw that one coming up Main Street.

Superstar Billy Graham brings his anti-steroid "show" to the University of Toledo on October 5th.....and if I had a chance to meet the President of the United States, I'd attend a Jesse Helms fundraiser, too. Hell, I'd probably even attend a Buck Zumhofe fundraiser to meet the President. You only go around once, kids. You grab the gold ring when you can. Like it or not, it's my 2-cents & I am outta here.

Clash Chatter

You had to love Michael Hayes's effort in catching the object from Buddy Roberts. He didn't even leave his feet....Steve Armstrong flies higher than Lee Scott.....How long do you think Buddy Landell will wait for a push. Guy should be pissed. And how can they rank him 10th on the top ten when he loses all his big match-ups on TV.....I was rolling on the floor when that one Master Blaster missed a flying headbutt and tried again only to flub it worse. Great unintentional comedy.....I rather watch that video of their feet 100 times over than them in the ring.....Nasties vs, Fulton & Taylor was better than expected. Was Jackie's best showing on TV yet.....Rich-Irwin was also good. Battle of Nutri-System vs. Slim Fast in that one.....JFD and Gigante

Correspondent's Corner

Grady Cole Center (NAWA)

Charlotte, NC

July 24, 1990

Correspondent: Leonard Sims

1) Chris Chavis downed Gene Ligon. 2) American Bulldogs over Curtis Thompson & Colt Steele. 3) Nasty Boys beat Bo Ragin & Ranger Ross. 4) Robert Fuller retained the NAWA Title beating Vince Torrelli. 5) Ricky Steamboat beat Matt Borne via DQ. Att: 275

Mortonson Community Center (IWA)

Newington, CT

August 22, 1990

Correspondent: Dan Reilly

1) Cousin Luke pinned Ray Apollo with a big splash in 11:45. $\frac{1}{4}$ * 2) Lethal Larry Cameron beat Sunny Beach in a good bout that went 9:05. Cameron used the ropes for leverage. ** $\frac{1}{2}$ 3) Jules Strongbow beat Moondog Spot via DQ in 10:30. Cameron interfered on the Chief's behalf most of the bout. Strongbow looked pathetic. Spot was DQ'd for using the bone. * $\frac{1}{2}$ 4) Derrick Dukes beat Manny Fernandez by count out in 15:10. Manny used everything not bolted to the floor. Match was in slo-mo but okay. * $\frac{1}{2}$ 5) Bambi beat Peggy Lee Leather in 16:30 when Leather's manager, The Creator hit Peggy by mistake with his book. ** 6) Preston Steele pinned Thunderfoot in 14:20 in what was the worst bout of the night. -** Att: 500

Meadowlands Arena (NWA)

E. Rutherford, NJ

August 24, 1990

Correspondent: Dan Reilly

1) Z Man beat Dutch Mantell in 7:20. Fans chanting boring 35 seconds into the bout. Dud 2) Brian Pillman pinned Buddy Landell in 6:30. Couple of brief flurries but nothing special. $\frac{1}{4}$ * 3) Big Van Vader squashed Dr. X (Randy Culley) in 1:25. $\frac{1}{4}$ * just for Vader's entrance and exit. 4) Steiner Brothers won the U.S. tag belts from the Midnight Express in 15:30. Last 6 minutes were very hot. Eaton looked awesome. Steiners won it with a sandwich clothesline on Bobby. *** $\frac{3}{4}$ 5) Stan Hansen trashed Terry Taylor in 4:45. No offense at all for Taylor. * 6) Arn Anderson, Barry Windham, & Sid Vicious beat El Gigante, Paul Orndorff, & Junkyard Dog in 15:40. Arn & Barry sold their souls in this one. Anderson pinned Orndorff after Barry hit Paul from behind. * $\frac{1}{2}$ 7) Lex Luger retained the U.S. title pinning Mean Mark in 14:30 when Callous ran into Paul E. They got into an argument afterwards but didn't come to blows. * $\frac{3}{4}$ 8) Doom downed the Rock N' Roll Express in 12:45 as Reed pinned Ricky. Fans wanted the main event at this point. ** $\frac{1}{4}$ 9) Sting pinned Ric Flair in 27:00 to retain the NWA world title. Sting had Flair in the scorpion at the end but Arn and Barry's interference backfired and Sting cradled Flair. *** $\frac{1}{2}$

Montreal Forum (WWF)

Montreal, Canada

August 24, 1990

Correspondent: Francois Lalonde

1) Jim Brunzell beat Buddy Rose with a dropkick in 12:00. ** 2) Ron Garvin beat Barbarian via DQ as Barbie wouldn't stop kicking Ronnie while he was upside down in the corner. -* 3) Demolition beat Hart Foundation in the same match as everywhere as Ax and Crush worked this one. *** 4) Hercules and Tito Santana went to a time limit draw. Dud 5) Jake Roberts small packaged Bad News Brownin 9:54. * 6) Brooklyn Brawler pinned Jose Luis Rivera (sub for Douglas). 7) Dusty Rhodes & Sapphire beat Randy Savage & Sherri when Liz hit Sherri with her purse. **

Baltimore Arena (NWA) Baltimore, MD
Correspondent: Bruce Ginevan

August 25, 1990

1) Buddy Landell pinned Tom Zenk with his feet on the ropes. D 2) El Gigante over Dr. X. Dud 3) Steiner Brothers beat Midnight Express when Scott pinned Bobby. B 4) Stan Hansen once again destroyed Terry Taylor. No grade. 5) Mean Mark pinned Brian Pillman. D 6) Barry Windham & Arn Anderson defeated Rock N' Roll Express but Pillman came out and told the ref that Barry and Arn had swapped places so ref reversed it. C 7) Van Vader squashed Dutch Mantell. 8) Lex Luger and Stan Hansen went to a double count out. At first, Lex wouldn't sell for Stan but a couple of stiff shots changed his mind. They brawled all over. B 9) Doom beat Paul Orndorff & Junkyard Dog as Simmons pinned Paul. Dud 10) Sting pinned Flair in the same round the house finish but Gigante cleans house. (About all he's good for. Give him a broom and a mop.)

UIC Pavillion (NWA) Chicago, IL
Correspondent: Chris Martin

August 26, 1990

1) Tom Zenk put Dutch Mantell to sleep, literally. JFD took better bumps than Zenk. $\frac{1}{2}$ * for Dutch. 2) Brian Pillman over Buddy Landell with flying body press from top rope. Stiff chops and slaps. ** 3) Steiners defended US straps against Midnights as Rick pinned Eaton. A breakup was teased afterwards. *** $\frac{1}{2}$ 4) El Gigante used a big foot to beat Dr. X. Dud 5) Rock N' Roll won a reversed decision over Barry and Arn. Same as B-More. *** $\frac{1}{2}$ 6) Terry Taylor beat Harley Race via DQ as Race pushed the ref. They worked hard but no one cared. * $\frac{1}{2}$ 7) Van Vader mangled David Sierra. -* 8) Doom over JFD & Paul Orndorff. ** 9) Lex Luger pinned Mark Callas (Chris says was a sub for Sid whose plane was delayed by a giant softball.) * 10) Sting beat Flair in the now trademarked finish. Awesome bout. **** $\frac{1}{2}$

Lane County Fairgrounds (PNW) Eugene, OR
Correspondent: Sean Ryan

August 31, 1990

1) Grappler pinned John Rambo to keep Northwest Title in 17:54. * $\frac{1}{2}$ 2) Larry Oliver and Doug Masters went to a twenty minute draw. *** $\frac{1}{4}$ 3) Equalizer beat Steve Sawyer in 12:48. $\frac{1}{2}$ * 4) Steve Doll & Scott Norton beat Al Madrill & Ricky Santana in a non title match at 16:48. ** Att: 150

Warwick Musical Theatre (WWF) Warwick, RI
Correspondent: Louie Fortuna

September 1, 1990

1) Barbarian beat Ron Garvin in 12:19 when Barbie sat on Ronnie when he tried a sunset flip. Decent opener. 2) Sama Simba, a.k.a. Tony Atlas pinned Mike Sharpe after a samoan drop in 12:28. Fans were into match even though they didn't know who Simba was. 3) Kerry Von Erich retained the I-C title turning back Ted DiBiase with a small package at 14:31. Good bout. 4) Paul Roma powerslammed Mario Mancini (sub for Neidhart) in 16:13. 5) Boris Zhukov beat Jose Luis Rivera in 11:12. Nuff said. 6) Dusty Rhodes beat Randy Savage in a lumberjack match at 7:34. Barbarian hooked Dusty's foot and Randy went to the top rope but hit Barbie instead. Rhodes rolled him up for the win. Att: 2,000

Pershing Auditorium (WWF) Lincoln, NE
Correspondent: Bruce Grummert

September 1, 1990

1) Black Bart used a backbreaker to beat Jim Powers in 11:00. Bad. 2) Haku beat Genius Lanny Poffo in 7:20. Haku cheered. He pulled Lanny's wig off after bout. 3) Orient Express defeated Bushwhackers via DQ in 13:00 when Fuji threw the cane into Tanaka but Luke caught it and ref saw him with the cane. 4) Warlord beat Tito Santana with a slingshot in 11:09. Bruce started falling

asleep this card was so good. 5) Sgt. Slaughter beat Nicolai Volkoff with a nerve hold to the temple in 6:00. I guess that feud won't go long. Thank God. 6) Big Boss Man & Tugboat beat Earthquake & Dino Bravo in 9:38 when Tugger splashed Bravo. Att: 2,812

Tampa Sportatorium (PWF)

Tampa, FL

September 6, 1990

Correspondent: Shannon Rose

1) Terminator and Sgt. Rock went to a twenty minute draw. 2) Ron Slinker pinned Hurricane Walker. 3) Dick Slater over Mark Starr. 4) Jimmy Backlund over Lou Perez in a no DQ bout. 5) Steve Keirn beat Bodyguard Mark who is now managed by local rock singer Johnny G. Lyons. (A good buddy of Diamond Dallas Page.)

Letters To "AR"

Harry Speaks

In regards to the provocative question from Ferk the fan about my taste in lingerie, I have not had enough experience with spiked leather to give a good response. I heard some of the convention fans from Memphis saw that style on men in the gay bar that Levine and Zinger had the cabbie take them to. They described it to me but I was not excited by the description. I have seen some hanging in a retail store but again I was not turned on by it just hanging there. (Well, maybe just a little.) The only way I can answer that question is for a live model (like Ferk for instance) to do the lingerie justice and send me a picture.

I know this is a wrestling bulletin so let me get to something that even I consider to be in questionable taste. This is something that we as fans have to put up with on a regular basis. Pat O'Connor, a former world champ and great athlete had just passed away. This guy was a legend who was the first star on the local TV show from 1959 and was on it until he retired and then promoted. He lived here and made numerous celebrity appearances for charity etc. On the largest sports show after giving results of all the amateur golf tourneys and lesbian tennis tourneys, one of the hosts made mention of Pat. Pat was semi-active in the early 80's and the other announcer found the age of Pat at his retirement match which was 50ish. While the one guy is trying to say something nice about Pat, the other guy blurts out, "that says alot about the legitimacy of his sport if he was that old." Someone says Pat was the first to do the reverse rolling cradle and the other guy says, "that is not hard if the other guy lets you do it to him." One host is eulogizing the dead O'Connor and the other guy is showing how hip he is by saying Pats' sport is fake. That was neither the time or place to knock wrestling. What bad taste by that one host but an all too typical attitude by the sporting press.

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Mr. & Mrs. Field

My wife would have written this but mumbled something about not having time in between doing the wash, cooking dinner, cleaning the bowl, and cleaning the house. I wish they made a vacuum that was silent, it's very hard for me to watch wrestling with that thing screaming!

Seriously, I'm glad to hear you're going bi-weekly (It's alot better than going bi-sexual, that is unless your a referee.) Your bulletin is a strong #4, maybe even pushing to crack the top three.

Scott Dickinson and I are thinking of going to a local Killer Kowalski card tomorrow, the main event isMike Sharpe vs. Kamala. Should put Flair-Steamboat to shame huh? The wrestling up this way has been pretty poor. The last Boston card had three no shows and drew only 4-5,000. Makes me sad to think Bob Backlund could sell the place out 2 weeks in advance and now they don't even fill 1/3 of the Garden, even with Hogan. Speaking of Hogan, he

made an appearance at the World's Gym in Sommerville, MA four weeks ago and had a line of people that probably would have filled 1/2 the Garden. The people are tired of shelling out twenty bucks for 7 matches for a shitty card.

That's it from the "Toxic Waste Capital" of the world, Woburn, MA
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RL- For those that don't know Mr. Field, he freelances for Bill Apter shooting pics at ringside. (He also takes outlaw photos of the Whiff that you see in the mags. But shhhh, don't tell Vince.) He also has a mind that would rival Zinger and Levine's.

Herd Enough of Anderson

As far as Ole Anderson and Jim Herd are concerned, they sound like characters from Mayberry, don't they? And about as naive. Ole killed Georgia and I have that uneasy feeling history may be repeating itself. For a guy who ran Pizza Hut, you can't say much for the chain if Herd's ideas of bringing up the gross is hiring bad talent because it's young enough to be cheap. Whatever happened to the big draw scenario Jimbo? Or doesn't he realize \$35,000 costumes ain't what makes the bacon brother. This guy is reading the sheets? If so, he needs a class on understanding the written word. T-Bolt as a manager? My family dog would be about as effective. Stick it out for another year Vince, look at all the talent you'll be getting for a song soon.

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are ranked #9 tag team. I've never seen them team and come to think of it, I don't want to. I'll believe the rating because seeing, isn't believing..... Why did they bother with a ladies match? All Ross and Caudle did was joke about it and try to see who could get a date with one.....Glad to see Steiners get a clean win over Maximum Overdrive. Would have liked to see Rick send Warner clear to I-95 with a Steinerline.....Is Scott getting bigger or is it me?.....Paul Orndorff is no fool. Why risk your life against Hansen when you'll be leaving the company soon. Smart man that Mr. Wonderful. I'm looking forward to Luger-Hansen at Havoc.....Loved Flair's shoot comment on Turner and Herd when he chopped Lex, "Turner, Herd, this is for you." Boy, you can tell they are demphasizing the Horsemen. After Stan interfered, Flair disappeared. Can't believe I'm saying this, but I don't like it. Ric-Lex was the only match with sustained heat.....Sting looked like he was playing a part in the "Pirates of Penzance" with that goofy looking costume. Wonder if it cost \$35,000.....The angle with the Scorpions pissed me off. It stunk. And of course, they ran too close to the end of the show to make the Sting and Sid angle work. For those who don't know yet, the first Scorpion was Al "I have less charisma than my brother Lou" Perez and the second one was Dave Sheldon who was the Angel of Death in World Class. The guy recently had knee surgery so if he wasn't bad enough, now he is. Overall, a big thumbs down brother.

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That's a wrap from here, see you in 2!

Ron